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Mr. Samuel Unger, P.E.
Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality
Control Board – Los Angeles Region
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, California 90013

Attention Ms. Renee Purdy

Dear Mr. Unger:

SUBMITTAL OF DRAFT ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE UPPER SAN GABRIEL RIVER GROUP

The Upper San Gabriel River Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP) Group is pleased to submit the enclosed Draft EWMP plan pursuant to Part VI.C.4.c.iv of the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. CAS004001; Order No. R4-2012-0175). The EWMP Group consists of the County of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, and the Cities of Baldwin Park, Covina, Glendora, Industry, La Puente, and West Covina.

Since spring 2013, seven agencies within the EWMP Group, namely the County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County Flood Control District, and the Cities of Baldwin Park, Covina, Glendora, Industry, and La Puente diligently collaborated to complete the Draft EWMP.

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On June 16, 2015, the City of West Covina received approval from its City Council to participate in the EWMP Group to develop an EWMP and a Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP). While the EWMP Group welcomed the City's participation, the short timeline only allowed the Group to incorporate the City into the Introduction Section of the enclosed Draft EWMP. As discussed with your staff, Mr. Ivar Ridgeway and Ms. Erum Razzak, a two-month extension was granted to the City to submit an Addendum to the enclosed Draft EWMP and Draft CIMP (which was conditionally approved by the Regional Board on June 19, 2015) by August 31, 2015. The City sent a letter to the Regional Board on June 18, 2015, describing its participation in the EWMP Group and its commitment to develop an EWMP and CIMP plan.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (626) 458-4300 or ageorge@dpw.lacounty.gov or your staff may contact Ms. Jolene Guerrero at (626) 458-4364 or jguerrer@dpw.lacounty.gov.

Very truly yours,

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cc: City of Baldwin Park
City of Covina
City of Glendora
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City of La Puente
City of West Covina